

WELFARE CEREMONIES TO GREET NEW YEAR

Churches and Clubs Will Enjoy New Kind of Programs.

Mayor to Receive

TOWER LIGHTS BLAZE AT 12

Thousands of persons will take part in watch night gatherings and other ceremonies in the official welcoming of the new year.

A number of new ceremonies will mark the death of the old year and the birth of the new. Besides the usual tolling of bells and the lighting of candles there will be a more serious strain running through many of the celebrations. And then there will be receptions, dinners, dances, all kinds of entertainment.

Outstanding among these events will be the Mayor's reception to the public and municipal authorities on the second floor of City Hall, in the reception room of the Mayor.

In this large apartment, which has been decorated with Christmas greens and electric lights, in honor of the holiday season, will be stationed Mayor and Mrs. Moore, the directors of the different municipal departments and their wives, heads of the different county offices and their wives, members of city council and their wives and other municipal officers.

The general public will enter the building from the east entrance facing Market street and will pass up the stairway to the second floor, and then along the corridor to the Mayor's office, where they will be received and will then pass out of the building through the main entrance leading into Broad street.

The Police Band will play in the corridor immediately adjoining the reception room. The reception will start at 9 o'clock, one hour earlier than has been the custom, and will continue until shortly before midnight.

Tower Light to Go Out

At five minutes of 12 the light in the tower will be extinguished, and the tower will remain in darkness until the first stroke of 12, to indicate the birth of the new year, when the lights again will be turned on.

The lights in the steeple of Independence Hall also will be turned out at the same time, and will remain extinguished until midnight, when they will be turned on and the bell toll.

One of the new features will be the singing of Christmas carols in the parlors of City Hall immediately beneath the quarters occupied by the Mayor, as well as in the Mayor's office during the progress of the reception, for which an interesting program has been arranged.

The singing will be furnished by the Philadelphia Choral Union of more than a hundred voices, under the leadership of Miss Anne McDonough, of the Art Alliance.

Watch Night Service

The Christian Endeavor Society will have a watch night service at the Port Richmond branch of the Episcopal Church Institute, 2518 East Cambria street.

The Rev. J. Franklin Brean, pastor of the Emmanuel Church, Fifty-fifth street and Willow street, will conduct watch night services. A social hour will precede the church service.

The Philomathean Club, of Philadelphia, will have a New Year's Eve dance. The club will have open house New Year's Eve. Mrs. Herman H. Birney, president of the club, will receive with the executive board, from 8 to 6 P. M.

MR. MACKAY IS HOPEFUL

Fond of Editors, Also, and Gives Newspapers Great Credit

The last six years have been happy progress for Harry A. Mackay, who expresses the hope that the future holds even greater things for him and who expresses, as he has on previous occasions, a high regard for the editors of the newspapers.

DRY NEW YEAR'S SEEN

25 Special Agents Due in City From Washington

Twenty-five special prohibition agents will arrive tonight from Washington to help make tonight and Monday New Year's celebrations the best of the city.

HELP MINISTERS' WIDOWS

Pension Fund to Give \$1000 in Addition to Regular Annuity

Trustees of the Church Pension Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church have decided to extend the benefits of the fund to widows by granting immediate payment of \$1000 to the widows of clergymen dying in active service.

WATSON TAKES OATH

New City Treasurer Sworn In Before Gathering of Friends

Thomas F. Watson, chairman of the Republican City Committee who was elected City Treasurer last November, was sworn into office shortly before noon today before a gathering of friends in Room K, Common Pleas Court No. 5.

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Wilson Predicts Victory for Democrats Next Year

New York, Dec. 31.—(By A. P.)—"Prediction that the year 1922 will show that the Democratic party has entirely regained the confidence of the Nation," was made by Woodrow Wilson in a New Year's letter to the Women's Democratic Political League, made public here today.

Replying to a birthday letter sent on behalf of the league by Miss Lillian K. Rice, its president, the former President wrote:

"The message from the Women's Democratic Political League gave me very great pleasure, and I wish to express to you—and through you to your associates of the league—my heartfelt thanks for the cheer it has given me, together with my best wishes for the new year—which is certain to show that the Democratic party has entirely regained the confidence of the Nation."

JUDGE WOULD STOP HASTY MARRIAGES

Make 'Em Go Slower to Help 'Em Stay Wedded, Monaghan's Thought

Law Could Force Delay

Make 'em go slower.

There is a nutshell in the southern treatment needed to calm the troubled billows on the sea of matrimony, according to Judge Monaghan.

"If they won't go slow of their own accord," declared the Judge, when discussing the number of big and bigamous marriages that have been bothering the courts recently, "slow them down by law."

Judge Monaghan is in accord with the opinion of Judge Alfred J. Tallier, a New York jurist, who declared from the bench that the only way to curb bigamous marriages is to prohibit the ceremony until a month after issuing the license.

"Good results are bound to follow a law that will," said Judge Monaghan, "of course, in Philadelphia, the percentage of bigamous marriages is small. But we have the Elkton weddings to contend with."

Judge Monaghan is that many of these unions turn out unhappily. These couples go to Elkton, get a license on demand and are married next door, so to speak, to the next day.

"That's all wrong in the Judge's opinion. He believes in a deliberate look into the future before any license is given, and he believes that the law should stay the hand of Cupid, especially where Cupid's hand has been left loose."

His opinion is an old idea with a new application, according to Judge Monaghan's view, and he suggests a sort of a period of repentance before the final step is taken.

Thirty days to look 'em all over and make sure that you've taken an option on the right one isn't a bit too long, Judge Monaghan says.

MUNARGO SAILS TODAY

Prominent Officials to Accompany Steamship on Maiden Trip

A party comprising consular officials and prominent transportation men of this section are in the city today to see off the new Munargo line steamship, Munargo, which sails this afternoon for New York.

The Munargo has been built for service between New York and Nassau, Bahamas.

Those who are on board for the maiden voyage, as guests of Frank C. Munson, president of the Munson Steamship Line, include Frederick Watson, Consul General from Great Britain at New York, and Mrs. Watson; Felipe Taborda, Consul General of Cuba at New York, and Mrs. Taborda; H. J. McLean, Consul of Cuba at Philadelphia; Robert M. Parker, vice president, and Ralph C. Stetson, president, of the American Sugar Refining Company; H. A. Magoun, senior vice president, New York Shipbuilding Corporation, and Mrs. Magoun; Nat Duke, freight manager, and Mrs. Duke; W. W. Redburn, and Mrs. Duke; T. C. Powell, vice president, Elks National, and Mrs. Powell; William T. Rainey, Cuba Consul at Philadelphia, and Mrs. Rainey; and all of the officials of the Munson Line.

SLAIN SLEEPING AMONG 70

Phila. Man Murdered in Baltimore Mission—Assault Escapes

While sleeping in a room of a twenty-story hotel in Baltimore, Edward Meyer, of this city, was shot to death yesterday.

The mission provides free lodging for homeless men. Police believe that robbery may have been the motive, or that the assassin was satisfied with the reward Meyer's pockets were found, but that may have been done as a "blat."

"ENGLISH FEMINIST'S" VIEWS ON WOMEN ARE CALLED BOSH

W. L. George's Ideas That Fair Sex Are Born Lawbreakers "All Twisted and Wrong," Says Mrs. Norris S. Barratt

Are women "born lawbreakers?" W. L. George, who calls himself an "English feminist" and who is in this country to evangelize his views for good American dollars on the lecture platform, says that they are.

Another prominent clubwoman, who did not wish her name to appear, pointed out that it wasn't very sensible for the English "bosh" to lecture in this country by antagonizing its audiences. "After all," she said, "most of the patrons of lectures are women. If men go at all, they are dragged along by their wives. So if these are Mr. George's opinions, he might find it to his advantage to keep them to himself."

MAY GET COOL RECEPTION

"I entirely disagree with him, of course," said Mrs. Edgar, one of the women who will be keeping up the course, "but I shall be glad to see a very cool reception from the women. The Spanish writer, Inez, was made to feel the effect of women's disapproval of his law. I know that even the weakest and blindest of women turned in and worked splendidly; indeed, some of them were among the best. And now that the war is over, the women are still keeping up the work begun then. The Emergency Aid and the Red Cross are doing noble work for the destitute of Europe, a work that no man could do. So I think the women are working as devotedly as ever."

"I think somewhere—I don't remember the words—said that a man with a low opinion of women must be a pretty poor sort of a man. I don't know what kind of a mother and sisters Mr. George must have."

WOMEN EASY TO READ

Also, on his deep knowledge of the female mind and mind, he is convinced that women are not so difficult to "read" as men are unwilling to try to take the trouble to read them. "Very often," said Mrs. George, "I have heard of women who were up to and down to and let me have other things to do."

Mrs. Norris S. Barratt, wife of Judge Barratt, is in general approval of Mr. George's views in general, but thinks he may have a lucky shot in his last delusion about men not giving all their thoughts to their women folk.

"The rest of it is all bosh, of course," said Mrs. Barratt. "I do believe, though, that we are less consciously in our husbands' thoughts than some would have us believe. We may be in the back of their minds. That is to say, the best of our men, I think, are largely actuated by a desire to do things that will make their women proud of them."

"Men are so busy making a way for themselves, so busy with their ambitions, their plans for doing good to the world at large, or for making

MAYOR VISITS HOME OF NEEDY FAMILY

Promises Job to Paul Novak, Man Who Tried Suicide in Canal

GIRL IS INTERPRETER

Eleven-year-old Mary Novak was the interpreter between her mother, Mrs. Paul Novak, and the Mayor, who visited her home today.

"This little home, where Paul Novak, his wife and five children have lived for years, has only two rooms. Young Paul Novak, who tried to commit suicide in order that his family might obtain life insurance and thus avert starvation which threatened them. He was rescued by police who learned the family had nothing to eat but crusts of bread."

When the Mayor's limousine drove up to the Novak home, shortly before 11 o'clock today, the five children ran from the house and gathered around him.

"My, oh my," said the Mayor as he stepped to enter the door and saw the stippled condition of the house which this family called home.

"Have you plenty of food?" he asked Mrs. Novak, but she shook her head and it was her eldest child who served as the conversational link between her and Mayor Moore.

"Yes, we have lots now since policemen learned how bad off we were after my father jumped in the canal."

She pointed to the table where there was a pile of food and a number of letters from which protruded bills of several denominations.

Mayor Moore led the way while he and Director Warburton walked about the two rooms, and after some time under a flag in the living room.

After putting several of the children on the head, he said:

"Mary, tell your mother I will personally assure her, her husband will have a job just as soon as he comes out of the hospital and is able to work."

He said outside he had made the visit to enable the director to see conditions of the house, which he would have to contend with.

Some time ago there was a fund raised by an appropriation of Council for relief of the poor and unemployed through the city, with Mrs. Novak and members of other families in the section, the Mayor proposes to get a knowledge of conditions there which will permit judicious appropriation of the Public Welfare Department.

The EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER acknowledges receipt of \$30 for relief of the work family. The money was forwarded to the Red Cross.

Half was received from Ralph E. Brickett, the rest from Mrs. John W. Bourne, 2020 Spruce street.

LIPPINCOTT HOME BURNED

Bethayres Estate Damaged \$100,000 by Flames

An overcast, blue, is believed, started the fire, which destroyed the country home yesterday of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wharton Lippincott at Bethayres, the loss to home and furnishings, as estimated, will be more than \$100,000.

Nothing but the walls of the stone house remain standing. It was located on the site of a 200-acre estate, Valley Falls Station near Bethayres, and is one of the show places of the section.

In the Tudor style of architecture, the place measured 100 by 40 feet. It was erected a few years ago. Recently a prominent building, the burning house, attracted attention for miles, and motorists hurried to the scene as the smoke and flame billowed upward.

BLIND HERO HURT

Lieutenant Frank Schoble, Jr., Victim of Motor Crash

Lieutenant Frank Schoble, Jr., blind hero of the World War, honored by both Marshal Foch and General Pershing, was seriously injured last night in a motor crash.

Two specialists at the hospital spent last night in an effort to save his life. The accident occurred at Ashbourne road and Spring avenue, just outside the entrance of Linnwood Hall, just after 6 o'clock last evening.

Lieutenant Schoble's brother, Ralph, who was driving the car and was the only other occupant, was thrown out but escaped serious injury.

TO DEDICATE SYNAGOGUE

Congregation Atereth of Israel Ladies' Auxiliary to Present 2 'Torahs'

Congregation Atereth of Israel, of Philadelphia, will dedicate their new building at 24th and North streets, at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

At the dedication the Ladies' Auxiliary will present the congregation with two 'Torahs'. The only other 'Torah' is owned by the congregation.

Mrs. B. Schwartz, president; Mrs. H. B. Schwartz, secretary; and Mrs. H. H. Ross, treasurer.

The new building will be utilized for regular religious services, as a school for the children and a communal center.

TEMPLE STUDENT FIGURES IN MATRIMONIAL ROMANCE

John V. Horan and Anita Murray, Germantown, Married August 25

Feared Parental Opposition, So They Kept the Wedding a Secret

John V. Horan, 6327 Lancaster avenue, and Miss Anita Charlotte Murray, 48 West Johnson street, Germantown, surprised their friends today by announcing that they were married quietly August 25 last, in the chapel at Villanova College.

The formal announcement will be made this evening at the annual dinner of the Phi Delta Rho Fraternity, at the Normandie. Mr. Horan, who is twenty-two years old, is the son of Dr. William F. Horan, His bride, who is twenty and a graduate of Villanova Academy, Trenton, Pa., is the daughter of Dr. B. J. Murray.

The parents of both young people gave their approval when told the news. The young couple were married quietly, they said, as they feared opposition because of their age and the fact that the bridegroom is still in school.

The young man is a sophomore at Temple University, and the young woman is a law student at the University of Pennsylvania, in the Finance Building. He is a graduate of the West Philadelphia High School.

He and his bride met when he was in the navy in 1918, when he had occasion to visit Villanova College on a furlough. Mr. Horan will continue his legal studies.

HE BREAKS HER FURNITURE BUT SHE MAKES NO CHARGE

Mrs. M. J. B. Tabb, Recently Fined for Speeding, Fails to Prosecute

Mrs. Martha J. Buckley Tabb, of the Essex Apartments, Thirty-fourth and Chestnut streets, who recently gained notoriety when she was fined \$12.50 for speeding, is probably in the market for a great deal of furniture.

The furniture would be used to replace that which was smashed last night by F. S. Frost, who gives an address at Sixty-second and Christian streets.

Heretofore, on the Thirty-second street and Woodland avenue station were summoned to Mrs. Tabb's apartment last night when she phoned.

Patrolman Holland says he arrived in time to see Frost tearing down a Christmas tree, which he threw onto a pile of broken chairs, tables and other articles of furniture. Frost was arrested.

Frost was arraigned today before Magistrate Dugan. When the magistrate asked Mrs. Tabb what charge she wished to make, she replied that she had none. Frost smiled, and after some moment the magistrate said "discharged."

Mrs. Tabb and Frost walked out together, but did not speak. When they reached the car they went in opposite directions.

INSURANCE PATROL TO GIVE CHILDREN PARTY

"Eats" and Gifts Will Be Distributed—Dance to Be Held

There'll be potato salad, ham, Bologna, a whole lot of other things, but best of all, ice cream, gifts, holly, and just everything you'd find outside in a good time for 200 children at a party given by the Insurance Patrol at 516 Arch street.

In one corner of the long room is the towering Christmas tree, the branches of which reach the ceiling. It is decorated with pink, green, red and yellow balls which contain electric bulbs. Prizes, toy dogs, and other toys of every description are hung on the tree.

Another official who will begin the party Monday is Mrs. Ervin Cheney. The men in the house have a "howl club" and each man contributes during the year a certain amount of money which is used for the party on New Year's Eve. There will be music for those who care to dance.

Four children of the neighborhood are coming to the party and some of the men in the house, there are eighteen in all, will bring the party gifts from other firehouses have been invited.

1921 MARRIAGE LICENSES SHOW INCREASE OF 578

22,159 Couples Were Wed. Bureau Announces

Figures published by the Marriage License Bureau today for 1921 show that there was an increase of 578 over 1920. During 1921 22,159 couples obtained licenses, while in the previous year there were 21,581.

Marriage licenses issued today follow: Alice W. Meese, 1024 S. 23rd st., and John H. Sproul, Wilmington, 10th and Market streets; Thomas R. Aulton, 1218 Mt. Vernon st., and Mary E. Aulton, 1218 Mt. Vernon st.; Ralph A. Galtner, 1372 1/2 Franklin st., and Marjorie Ruckel, 2355 Chestnut st.; Robert J. Galtner, 1372 1/2 Franklin st., and Marjorie Ruckel, 2355 Chestnut st.; and William J. Galtner, 1372 1/2 Franklin st., and Marjorie Ruckel, 2355 Chestnut st.

MINT TOTALS DROP

Fewer Pieces but of Greater Value in 1921 Than in 1920

During 1921 the Philadelphia Mint coined 30,307,498 pieces, valued at \$27,740,230, as compared with 37,400,710 pieces, valued at \$22,433,370 in 1920, and 50,915,000, valued at \$15,849,010, in 1919. The big drop in number of pieces coined was due to the shrinkage in pieces, 29,127,000 in 1921, as against 30,165,000 in 1920 and 32,921,000 in 1919.

The big value in coins this year was due to the redemption of postage under Pittman act of silver dollars, of which 44,620,000 old design were turned out and \$46,474 of the new "peace" design. "Q" coins also amount heavily, consisting of 22,528,500 double eagle coins.

In addition to domestic coinage Mint coined 21,140,352 gold, silver and nickel pieces for foreign countries.

SALOONMAN IS HELD FOR GRAND JURY

Joseph White, saloon proprietor at 1501 Ridge avenue, was held in \$8000 bail for the Grand Jury by Magistrate Renshaw today, after Detective Mellon testified he had purchased a drink of liquor from White.

Evangelist Ready to Preach

Yael Rader, Chicago evangelist and revivalist, will speak at 7:45 o'clock tomorrow evening in the "Gleaners" Church, Oxford Presbyterian, Broad and Oxford streets, on "Parables and Fables in the Bible."

Wedding Invitations and Enclosures

Social Stationery Business Stationery Hand-Wrought Plates

J. E. CALDWELL & CO.

JEWELRY - SILVER - STATIONERY CHESTNUT AND JUNIPER STREETS

EUROPEAN CREDIT PLAN AGREED UPON

Allied Business Men Would First Build Up Transportation Facilities

INTERNATIONAL CONSORTIUM

By the Associated Press

Paris, Dec. 31.—The economic conference of allied bankers and manufacturing interests which has been considering measures for re-establishing the international credit of Europe agreed today upon the draft of a project for an international consortium which will be submitted to the Allied Supreme Council at Cannes.

A representative of Japan today modified the plan, but the conference between the British, French, Italian and Belgian delegations in the Conference. The project, as it had previously been drawn up in London, was somewhat modified in the talks that have occurred between the British and French interests here. It is based partially upon the international credit scheme of Dr. J. Ter-Meulen, the Dutch economist, which was approved by the financial conference at Brussels last year.

The idea is first to rebuild the public utilities, railways and kindred agencies in countries where economic stagnation is due to lack of transportation. The assets of the countries thus aided will, as provided for in the Ter-Meulen scheme, be pledged as security for the loans involved in the consortium which has not given a concession for operation.

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Austria, which is regarded by the conference as in the direct need, is expected to be the first beneficiary in the working out of the scheme, with the hope that her recovery will contribute to the improvement of the situation in good time for the countries of the smaller states of Central Europe.

The capital of the consortium will be definitely fixed only after the council at Cannes has passed upon the plan. Sums varying from 5,000,000 to 120,000,000 are talked of. It is pointed out, however, that the amount of the capital is immaterial, as the consortium itself plans to find funds outside its own capital, acting in most cases merely as a clearing house.

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TO LAUNCH TANKER

R. D. Leonard to Be Christened by Wife of Man Craft Was Named After

The Atlantic Refining Company's new tanker R. D. Leonard will be launched this afternoon at the Harlan plant of the Bethlehem Ship Building Corporation at Wilmington. Mrs. R. D. Leonard, wife of the company's president, will christen the vessel in honor of her husband, who is manager of domestic sales for the Atlantic Refining Company.

The tanker has been constructed along the latest and most modern lines and will be propelled by 100 horsepower turbine, and use oil for fuel. It is to be employed in coastwise transportation of refined petroleum products.

The R. D. Leonard is 2000 tons dead weight, 296 feet long and 39 feet wide. It draws 17 feet of water and its speed is 10 1/2 knots an hour. A novel feature is the pumping equipment, which will enable the ship to pump gasoline, kerosene or lubricating oil to tanks as far as a mile from the dock.

Autolite Drunk Is Charge

Charged with driving his automobile while intoxicated, Fred Hams, of Columbia avenue near Thirtieth street, was held in \$1000 bail for the Grand Jury by Magistrate Renshaw today, after a taxi driver testified he had helped his taxi cab at Broad and Callowhill streets.

Deaths of a Day

MRS. MARY HUGHES DOYLE

Mother of Attorney Here Was Sixty-Eight Years Old

Mary Hughes Doyle, mother of Michael Francis Doyle, attorney, of 1833 South Broad street, died at her home today. She was sixty-eight years old.

Mrs. Doyle was born in Athlone, County Armagh, Ireland. She came to this country at the age of thirteen.

Mrs. Doyle, who was related to the late Archbishop Hughes, of New York, had been an invalid for the last seven years of her life, being attended by her daughters, Anna and Agnes, since her home. Besides her daughters, she is survived by two sons, Michael Francis and John J. Doyle.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday morning at the Church of the Annunciation, Tenth and Dickinson streets, and burial will be in Holy Cross Cemetery.

MRS. MARY G. JOHNSON

Wife of Newspaperman Passes Away After Long Illness

Mrs. Mary G. Johnson, wife of Herbert Johnson, newspaper man, of 1041 South Fifth street, died at her home today, after a long illness of several months.

Born in Carlisle, Pa., Mrs. Johnson was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Haysinger, and a niece of the late Isaac Haysinger. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson were married